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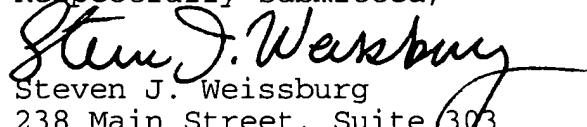
Japanese Patent Abstract Document No. 06-218712, published August 9, 1994.

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